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**Esurance Insurance Services, Inc.** 

**Opposition No.** <u>91233968</u>

Opposer,

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**Besurance Corporation,** 

Applicant.

**Answer and Affirmative Defenses** 

Applicant Besurance Corporation, ("Applicant") hereby through counsel submits the following Answer and Affirmative Defenses in response to the Notice of Opposition ("Notice") filed by opposer Esurance Insurance Services, Inc. ("Opposer") on April 12, 2017.

- Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 1 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 2. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 2 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.

- 3. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 3 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 4. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 4 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 5. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 5 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 6. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 6 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 7. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 7 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 8. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 8 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 9. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 9 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 10. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 10 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.

- 11. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 11 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 12. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 12 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 13. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 13 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 14. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 14 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 15. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 15 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 16. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 16 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 17. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 17 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 18. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 18 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.

- 19. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 19 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 20. Applicant denies the allegations concerning Opposer's alleged prior established rights. Applicant admits the remaining allegations contained in Paragraph 20 of the Notice.
  - 21. Denied.
- 22. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 22 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
  - 23. Denied.
  - 24. Denied.
- 25. Applicant admits the allegations concerning the specific services identified in the applications subject to this proceeding. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remainder of the allegations contained in Paragraph 25 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
- 26. Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 26 of the Notice, and thus denies these allegations.
  - 27. Denied.
  - 28. Denied.
  - 29. Denied.
  - 30. Denied.

31. Denied.

32. Denied.

**AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES** 

1. Opposer has failed to state a claim upon which relief may be granted.

Opposer's claims are barred in whole or in part by the doctrine of

unclean hands.

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3. Opposer's claims are barred in whole or in part by the doctrine of

waiver.

4. Opposer's claims are barred in whole or in part by the doctrine of

acquiescence.

5. Opposer's claims are barred in whole or in part by the doctrine of

estoppel.

6. Applicant hereby gives notice that it may rely upon such other and

further defenses as may arise during discovery or otherwise in this proceeding, and

reserves its right to amend this Answer and Affirmative Defenses to assert such

defenses.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that the Notice be denied in all respects.

Dated: May 10, 2017 Respectfully Submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and complete copy of the foregoing **Answer and Affirmative Defenses** has been served on opposing counsel by forwarding said copy on May 10, 2017 via email to:

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Dated: May 10, 2017